The Preface of AL-FATĀWĀ AL-RIḌAWIYYAH

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم
نحمده ونصلي على رسوله الكريم

This is the khuṭbah, the opening prayer in the preface of Fatawā al-Riḍawiyyah of Alahazrat Imām Aḥmad Riḍā Khān al-Barayliwī [1272-1340 AH]. In this beautiful prayer the imām uses names of books, imāms and appellations to describe the attributes of Rasūlullāh ﷺ. All the books mentioned in this khuṭbah are by Ḥanafī authors, except few; and in cases where multiple works bear the same name, two or three well-known works among the many are listed here.

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1 **Al-Fiqh al-Akbar**
Imām al-Aáẓam Abū Ḥanīfah [80-150 AH]
Among the earliest works on Áqīdah/Kalām

2 **Al-Jāmiý al-Kabīr**
Imām Muḥammad al-Shaybānī [d.189 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

3 **Ziyādāt**
Imām Muḥammad al-Shaybānī [d.189 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh; Text in *Ẓāhir al-Riwāyah*

4a **Fayḍ al-Ghaffār**
Muḥammad ibn Ibrāhīm ibn Aḥmad
Ḥanafī Fiqh, Commentary on *Al-Mukhtār*

4b **Fayḍ al-Mawlā al-Karīm**
Ibrāhīm al-Karkī [d.922 AH]
Ḥanafī Fatāwā

5 **Al-Mabsūṭ**
Shams al-Ayimmah al-Sarakhsī [d. 483 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh, Commentary on *Al-Kafī*

6a **Durar al-Ḥukkām**
Qāḍī Muḥammad Mullā Khusraw [d. 885 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh, Commentary of *Ghurar al-Aḥkām*

6b **Al-Durar fī Uṣūl al-Dīn**
Imām Abū Manṣūr al-Māturīdī [d.333 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

7 **Ghurar al-Aḥkām**
Qāḍī Muḥammad Mullā Khusraw [d. 885 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

8 **Al-Hidāyah**
Burhānuddin Álī al-Marghīnānī [d.593 AH]
Famous Text of Ḥanafī Fiqh

9 **Bidāyatu'l Mubtadī**
Burhānuddin Álī al-Marghīnānī [d.593 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

10a **Nihāyah al-Kifāyah**
Tāj al-Sharīáh Maḥmūd ibn Ubaydullāh
Commentary on *Al-Hidāyah*

10b **Al-Nihāyah**
Imām Badruddīn Maḥmūd al-Áynī [d.855 AH]
Sharḥ al-Kifāyah fi Mārifati Aḥādīth al-Hidāyah

10c **Al-Nihāyah**
Ḥusāmuddīn Ḥusayn al-Saghnāqī [d.714 AH]
Commentary on *Al-Hidāyah*

11 **Al-Wiqāyah**
Tāj al-Sharīáh Maḥmūd ibn Ubaydullāh
Famous Ḥanafī Fiqh Textbook

12 **Al-Nuqāyah**
Ṣadru'sh Sharīáh al-Aṣghar [d.745 AH]
Abridgement of *Al-Wiqāyah*

13a **Al-Dirāyah**
Shaykh al-Islām Ibn Ḥajar al-Áṣqalānī [d. 852 AH]
Bibliography of select ḥadīth in *Al-Hidāyah*

13b **Al-Dirāyah**
Muḥammad ibn Mubārak Shāh
An exegesis of *Al-Hidāyah*

14a **Al-Ínāyah**
Akmaluddīn Muḥammad al-Bābarti [d.786 AH]
An exegesis of *Al-Hidāyah*

14b **Al-Ínāyah**
Mawlā Álā'uddīn Álī al-Aswad [d.800 AH]
Commentary on *Al-Wiqāyah*

15a **Al-Kifāyah**
Tāj al-Sharīáh Maḥmūd al-Maḥbūbī
Commentary on *Al-Hidāyah*

15b **Kifāyatu'l Fuqahā'a**
Abu'l Qāsim Ismāyīl al-Bayhaqī al-Ḥanafī
A commentary on *Mukhtaṣar al-Qudūrī*

15c **Al-Kifāyah**
Álī ibn Turkmānī al-Mardīnī [d.750 AH]
Abridgement of *Al-Hidāyah*

16 **Imām al-Aáẓam**
Imām Abū Ḥanīfah Númān ibn Thābit al-Kūfī
80-150 AH

17 **Mālikī**
Imām Mālik ibn Anas al-Aṣbahī
93-173 AH

18 **Shāfiýī**
Imām Muḥammad ibn Idrīs al-Shāfiýī
150-204 AH

19 **Aḥmad**
Imām Aḥmad ibn Ḥanbal al-Shaybānī
164-241 AH

20 **Muḥammad**
Imām Muḥammad ibn Ḥasan al-Shaybānī
132-189 AH

21 **Al-Ḥasan**
Imām Ḥasan ibn Ziyād al-Lu'luyi
d. 204 AH

22 **Abū Yūsuf**
Qāḍī Abū Yūsuf Yáqūb ibn Ibrāhīm
113-182 AH

23 **Al-Aṣl**
Imām Muḥammad al-Shaybānī [d.189AH]
Book of *Ẓāhir al-Riwāyah*, AKA *Al-Mabsūṭ*

24a **Al-Muḥīṭ**
Maḥmūd Ibn Māzah al-Bukhārī [d.616 AH]
Al-Muḥīṭ al-Burhānī fi'l Fiqh al-Númānī

24b **[Baḥr] Al-Muḥīṭ**
Raḍīyuddīn Muḥammad al-Sarakhsī [d.571 AH]
Famously known as *Muḥīṭ al-Riḍawī*

25 **Al-Basīṭ**
Imām Muḥammad al-Ghazālī [450-505 AH]
Shāfiýī Fiqh

26a **Al-Wajīz fi'l Fatāwā**
Burhānuddīn Maḥmūd al-Bukhārī [d.616 AH]
Fatāwā according to topics in *Al-Hidāyah*

26b **Al-Wajīz**
Raḍīyuddīn Muḥammad al-Sarakhsī [d. 571 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

27 **Al-Wasīṭ**
Raḍīyuddīn Muḥammad al-Sarakhsī [d. 571 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

28 **Al-Baḥr al-Zakh'khar**
Imām Abū Bakr Aḥmad al-Bazzār [d. 292 AH]
Ḥadīth collection known as *Musnad al-Bazzār*

29 **Al-Durr al-Mukhtār**
Álāuddīn Muḥammad al-Ḥaṣkafī [d.1088 AH]
Ḥanafī Text; commentary of *Tanwīr al-Abṣār*

30 **Khazāyin al-Asrār**
Álāuddīn Muḥammad al-Ḥaṣkafī [d.1088 AH]
Commentary of *Tanwīr al-Abṣār*

31 **Tanwīr al-Abṣār**
Muḥammad al-Tamartashī al-Ghazzī [d.1004 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

32 **Radd al-Muḥtār**
Muḥammad Amīn Ibn Ábidīn al-Shamī [d. 1255 AH]
The most widely referenced work of Ḥanafī Fiqh

33 **Minaḥ al-Ghaffār**
Shamsuddīn al-Tamartashī al-Ghazzī [d.1004 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh; commentary of Tanwīr al-Abṣār

34 **Fat'ḥ al-Qadīr**
Kamāluddīn Ibn Humām [d. 861 AH]
Commentary on *Al-Hidāyah*

35 **Zād al-Faqīr**
Kamāluddīn Ibn Humām [d. 861 AH]
Short work on Ḥanafī Fiqh

36 **Multaqā al-Ab'ḥur**
Imām Ibrāhīm al-Ḥalabī [d.956 AH]
Ḥanafī Text

37 **Majmaá al-Anhur**
Ábd al-Raḥmān ibn Shaykh Zādah [d.1078]
Commentary on *Multaqā al-Ab'ḥur*

38 **Kanz al-Daqāyiq**
Imām Abu'l Barakāt al-Nasafī [d. 710 AH]
Ḥanafī Text

39 **Tabyīn al-Ḥaqāyiq**
Fakhruddīn Úthmān al-Zaylayī [d. 743 AH]
An exegesis of *Kanz al-Daqāyiq*

40 **Al-Baḥr ar-Rāyiq**
Zaynuddīn Ibn Nujaym al-Miṣrī [d.970 AH]
An exegesis of *Kanz al-Daqāyiq*

41 **Al-Nahr al-Fāyiq**
Úmar ibn Nujaym al-Miṣrī [d. 1005 AH]
An exegesis of *Kanz al-Daqāyiq*

42 **Munyah al-Muṣallī**
Sadīduddīn al-Kāshaghrī [d. 705 AH]
Ḥanafī Text

43 **Ghunyah al-Mutamallī**
Shaykh Ibrāhīm al-Ḥalabī [d. 956 AH]
Commentary on *Munyatu'l Muṣallī*

44 **Marāqi'l Falāḥ**
Imām Ḥasan al-Shurnbulālī [d. 1069 AH]
Commentary on his own *Nūr al-Yīḍāḥ*

45 **Imdād al-Fattāḥ**
Imām Ḥasan al-Shurnbulālī [d. 1069 AH]
Commentary on his own *Nūr al-Yīḍāḥ*

46a **Yīḍāḥ**
Ibn Kamāl Pashā [d. 940 AH]
Gloss on his own work Al-Iṣlāḥ

46b **Al-Yīḍāḥ**
Ábd al-Raḥmān al-Kirmānī [d. 543 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

47 **Iṣlāḥ al-Wiqāyah**
Ibn Kamāl Pashā [d. 940 AH]
A critical work on *Al-Wiqāyah*

48 **Nūr al-Yīḍāḥ**
Imām Ḥasan al-Shurnbulālī [d. 1069 AH]
Famous Text of Ḥanafī Fiqh

49a **Kashf al-Asrār**
Ábd al-Áẓīz al-Bukhārī [d. 730 AH]
Commentary on Uṣūl al-Pazdawī

49b **Kashf al-Asrār**
Abu'l Barakāt Ḥāfiẓuddīn al-Nasafī [d. 710 AH]
Commentary of his own *Manār al-Anwār*

50 **Al-Muḍmarāt**
Yūsuf ibn Úmar al-Ṣūfī al-Kāḍūrī [d. 832 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh; *Jāmiý al-Muḍmarāt*

51 **Ḥall al-Mushkilāt**
Shaykh Shujāá ibn Nūrullāh al-Anqarawī
Treatise on Inheritance; written in 964 AH.

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Muḥammad ibn Álī al-Ḥaṣkafī [d.1088 AH]
Commentary on *Multaqā al-Abḥur*

53a **Al-Yanābīý**
Abu'l Qāsim Aḥmad al-Bayhaqī [d. 458 AH]
Uṣūl al-Fiqh

53b **Al-Yanābīý**
Muḥammad ibn Ramaḍān al-Rūmī [d. 769 AH]
Commentary on *Mukhtaṣar al-Qudūrī*

54 **Al-Mubtaghā**
Shaykh Ýīsā al-Farshahrī [d.734 AH]
Fiqh Ḥanafī

55 **Tanwīr al-Baṣāyir**
Ábd al-Qadir ibn Barakāt al-Ghazzī [~1034 AH]
Commentary on *Al-Ashbāh wa'n Naẓāyir*

56 **Zawāhir al-Jawāhir**
Ṣāliḥ al-Tamartāshī al-Ghazzī [d. 1055 AH]
Commentary on *Al-Ashbāh wa'n Naẓāyir*

57 **Badāyiý al-Ṣanāyiý**
Abū Bakr ibn Masúūd al-Kāsānī [d. 587 AH]
Commentary on *Tuḥfatu'l Fuqahā'a*

58 **Nawādir**
Imām Muḥammad al-Shaybānī [d.189 AH]
Multiple collections

59 **Al-Ashbāh wa'n Naẓāyir**
Zaynuddīn Ibn Nujaym al-Ḥanafī [d.]
Axioms of Fiqh

60 **Mughnī**
Jalāluddīn al-Khabbāzī [d. 671 AH]
Uṣūl al-Fiqh [Ḥanafī]

61a **Niṣāb al-Faqīh**
Iftikāruddīn Ṭāhir al-Bukhārī [d. 542 AH]
Abridgement of *Khulāṣatu'l Fatāwā*

61b **Niṣāb al-Dharāyiý**
Abu'l Qāsim al-Zawzanī [d. 801 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

62 **Al-Ḥāwī al-Qudsī**
Qāḍī Aḥmad al-Ghaznawī [d. 593 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

63 **Al-Kāfī**
Al-Ḥākim al-Shahīd [d. 334 AH]
Ḥanafī Text

64 **Al-Wāfī**
Abu'l Barakāt Ḥāfiẓuddīn al-Nasafī [d.710 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

65 **Al-Shāfī**
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66 **Al-Muṣaffā**
Ḥāfiẓuddīn Nasafī [d.710 AH]
Abridgement of his own *Al-Mustaṣfā*

67 **Al-Mustaṣfā**
Ḥāfiẓuddīn Nasafī [d.710 AH]
Commentary on Nasafī's [d.538 AH] Poem

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Imām Muḥammad Ḥākim al-Shahīd [d.334 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

70 **Úddatu'n Nāsik**
Sirājuddīn Úmar al-Ghaznawī [d. 773AH]
A Ḥanafī work on Pilgrimage [*Manāsik*]

71 **Al-Nawāzil**
Imām Abu'l Layth al-Samarqandī [d.376 AH]
Fiqh Ḥanafī

72 **Anfaá al-Wasāyil**
Qāḍī Ibrāhīm al-Ṭarsūsī [d. 758 AH]
Fiqh Ḥanafī

73 **Al-Isāáf**
Burhānuddīn Ibrahīm al-Ṭarabulsī [d. 922 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh on Endowments

74 **Úyūn al-Masāyil**
Imām Abu'l Layth al-Samarqandī [d.376 AH]
Fiqh Ḥanafī

75a **Úmdatu'l Qārī**
Imām Badruddīn al-Áynī [d. 855 AH]
Famous commentary on *Ṣaḥīḥ al-Bukhārī*

75b **Úmdatu'l Áqāýid**
Imām Ḥāfiẓuddīn al-Nasafī [d. 710 AH]
Work on Creed of Ahl al-Sunnah

76 **Khulāṣah al-Fatāwā**
Imām Ṭāhir al-Bukhārī [d. 542 AH]
Ḥanafī Fatāwā

77 **Maṣābīḥ al-Dujā**
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Ṣadr al-Sharīáh al-Aṣghar [d.750 AH]
Gloss on *Al-Wiqāyah*

79 **Al-Shaykhayn**
Imām Aáẓam Abū Ḥanīfah
Imām Abū Yūsuf

80 **Al-Ṣaḥibayn**
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Imām Aáẓam Abū Ḥanīfah
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82 **Nūr al-Áyn**
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Annotations on *Jāmiý al-Fuṣūlayn*

83 **Majmaá al-Baḥrayn**
Muẓafaruddīn Ibn al-Sāáti [d. 694 AH]
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84 **Al-Arkān al-Arbaáh**
Baḥr al-Úlūm Ábd al-Álī al-Lucknawī [d.1225 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

85 **Al-Anwār**
Abū Zayd Úbaydullāh al-Dabbūsī [d. 430 AH]
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86 **Dhakhīratu'l Fatāwā**
Burhānuddīn Ibn Māzah al-Bukhārī [d. 616 AH]
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87 **Tuḥfatu'l Fuqahā'a**
Álā'uddīn Muḥammad al-Samarqandī [d. 540 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

88 **Jāmiý al-Fuṣūlayn**
Qāḍī Samāwinah al-Ḥanafī [d. 823 AH]
Ḥanafī Fiqh

89 **Ḥaqāyiq al-Manẓūmah**
Abu'l Maḥāmid ibn Dāwūd al-Lu'luyi [d. 671 AH]
Commentary on Nasafī's Poem

90 **Al-Muhadh'dhab**
Abū Is'ḥāq al-Shīrazī [d. 476 AH]
Shāfiýī Fiqh

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Allāh's name to begin with; the Most Beneficent, the Merciful.
We praise Him and ask for blessings and salutations upon His honourable Messenger ﷺ.

All praise to Allāh; and this is the greatest knowledge and a great collection of His abundant favours, for multiplying His extensive bounties, the primest of pearls. By His praise [ḥamd] comes guidance; with His praise is the beginning and towards it is the end; and it is His praise that grants the safety of the most formidable fortress and bestows pristine knowledge and unsullied intellect which is providence itself, beautiful in its sufficing. Blessings and Salutation be upon the preeminent leader of all the Messengers; my master, my intercessor; the most praised among all Messengers, the most honoured ones in the creation. Beauty declares without hesitation: Muḥammad ﷺ the handsome is Yūsuf's علیه السلام father in [beauty's] signification. Because he is the universal fountainhead of every bounty and grace, of every superiority and excellence – be it the vast, the brief, the simple or the medial. The overflowing sea of generosity, the choicest of pearls [of perfection and goodness]; the invaluable treasure of Divine Secrets, who illuminates the eyes – the answer to the perplexed [and who leads] towards the blessings of the Most-Forgiving, al-Ghaffār; the benefactor sent by the Most Powerful, al-Qadīr; and the succour of the poor. The confluence of the oceans [of virtues], the union of the seas of sublimity and elegance; the treasure of subtleties and the manifestation of realities. That lucid sea of knowledge and beneficence, from which every rising stream beseeches benefaction. In him rests all hope; and because of him is independence from every other, and [by his leading] we reach the radiant stairway of success. He is the Divine Aid from the Opener of the doors of grace [al-Fattāḥ]. He is the manifest radiance for betterment and rectification; the very light of elucidation and clarification; the revealer of hidden treasures, the reliever of leaden troubles, the unraveler of mysteries and riddles. The chosen pearl, the wellspring that [fulfills] wishes. The luster of insight and sagacity; the most lustrous of shining jewels, the rarest and the immaculate of gems, whose likeness and similitude is impossible to find. He, who makes prosperous the mendicant and the fortune of the destitute. He is the empyreal cumulation of qualities and attributes of perfection, both human and ethereal; he suffices for all needs; the complete, the perfect; the complete healer; the impeccable, the pure, the Elect [Muṣṭafā], the purifying, the most favoured, the redeemer, the chaste. He is our provision in the direst hour; the most gainful of means to attain Allāh's infinite Grace [wasīlah]; and to fulfill many a need in immense speed. He is the finest of later generations and their reliance; and from the best of predecessors, their quintessence. Blessings and salutation may also be upon his progeny and his companions; his noble household and his company. They are the lamps brightening the darkest of nights; they are the keys to guidance. Especially the two venerable sages [Abū Bakr and Úmar]; the two closest companions who held the Shariáh and Haqiqah firmly on both sides. And the two honourable sons-in-law [Úthman and Álī]; each of them is the light of sight, and a convergence of oceans. May blessings also be upon the striving scholars [mujtahids] of his blessed community, the imāms of his nation; and in particular, the four pillars, the resplendent and bedazzling rays [of knowledge]. May blessings also be upon his [grand]son, the chief helper [Ghawth al-Aáẓam]; the provision of the friends of Allāh, the gift for the jurists [fuqahā'a]; he who consolidated the two sections – chapters of esoteric realities [ḥaqīqah] and that of orderly external knowledge [shariáh]. And may blessings be also upon us, for we are with them; and blessing for their sake; because of them. O the Most Merciful, accept our prayers. Amen. Amen. And every praise belongs to Allāh, the Sustainer of all worlds.